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SUBJECT: MINNESOTA AND NORTH DAKOTA CONN
POLLUTION FROM CANADA

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1. ACCORDING TO AP STORY IN WINNIPEG FREE PRESS JAN 7
MINNESOTA AND NORTH DAKOTA OFFICIALS WANT TO INVITE U.S.
STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS TO VISIT THEM TO DISCUSS A GROWING
CONCERN OVER POLLUTION FROM CANADIAN POWER PLANTS.

SANDRA GARDENBRING, DIRECTOR OF THE MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL
AGENCY (MPCA), AND NORTH DAKOTA HEALTH OFFICER JONATHAN WEISBUCH
SAID THEY ARE CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBLE POLLUTION PROBLEMS FROM
CANADIAN PLANTS AT ATIKOKAN, ONT., ESTEVAN, SASK., AND THE POPLAR
RIVER PROJECT WHICH IS PLANNED IN SASKATCHEWAN.

2. COMMENT: THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE SEEN EITHER STATE
EXPRESS CONCERN ABOUT EFFECTS OF POWER PLANT AT ESTEVAN,
SASK. A POWER PLANT WHICH WE UNDERSTOOD HAS BEEN OPERATING FOR
A NUMBER OF YEARS. IN ADDITION IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT
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FUTURE UTILIZATION OF THIS PLANT IS LIMITED BECAUSE OF DWINDLING
COAL RESERVES IN THAT AREA. COOPERATION BETWEEN NORTH DAKOTA
AND MINNESOTA MAY HAVE COME OUT OF MEETING OF UPPER MID-WEST
GOVERNORS WHICH MINNESOTA S RUDY PURPICH CONVENED IN ST. PAUL
LAST WEEK. IN ANY EVENT, IT IS CLEAR THAT NORTHERN BORDER
STATES ADJACENT TO OUR CONSULAR DISTRICT ARE WORRIED ABOUT
ATIKOKAN, POPLAR RIVER AND NOW ESTEVAN PLANTS.

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